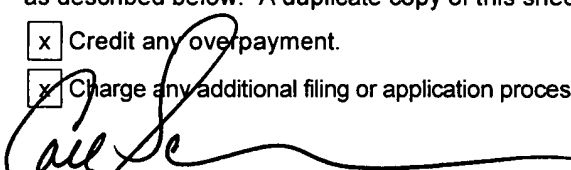


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				Art Unit 2839	
Applicant(s): Shinji UCHIDA					
Invention: CONNECTOR (as amended)					
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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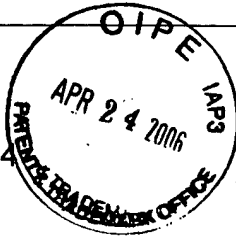
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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 10 and 12-15 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1-5, 8 and 9 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, claim 10 is amended and claims 12-15 are added.

Applicant expresses his appreciation for the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claim 10 which is now amended and believed to be in condition for allowance.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)